Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.

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| Private Sponsor(s) (list | all): The Aspen In | stitute (Socrates Pro | gram) | | |
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(Revised 1/3/11)

Form RE-2

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE PUBLIC RECORDS

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days 2017 NOV 20 PM 12: 59 prior to the travel departure date to the Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will <u>not</u> be considered or approved. This form <u>must</u> be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

William Sweeney

| Name of Traveler: | ······································ |
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| Employing Office/Committee: | Democratic Policy & Communications Committee |
| Private Sponsor(s) (list all): | stitute |
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| Travel date(s): October 27-29, 2017 | |
| | or any reason you <u>must</u> notify the Committee. |
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| Name of accompanying family member (if a Relationship to Employee: Spouse | ny):Child |
| I certify that the information contained in thi | is form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge: |
| Sept 26,2017 (Date) | Power (Signature of Employee) |
| (Date) | (Signature Open proyee) |
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| Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Mine Senator Debbie Stabenow | William Sweeney |
| I,(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) | hereby authorize(Print Traveler's Name) |
| related expenses for travel to the event descr | accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and ibed above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her er, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for |
| I have also determined that the attendance of | the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation |
| of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) | |
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| (Date) | Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer) |

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee MUST also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

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| 1. | The Aspen Institute (Socrates Program) Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): |
| 2. | Description of the trip: The Aspen Institute (Socrates Program) is sponsoring a Socrates seminar for senior congressional staff to discuss political civility and the role of Congress. |
| 3. | Dates of travel: October 27-29 |
| 4. | Place of travel: Queenstown, MD |
| 5. | Name and title of Senate invitees: Please see attached roster |
| 6. | I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories: (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal <u>and</u> do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal <u>and</u> no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip. -OR- |
| | (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Serate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (see question 9). |
| 7. | I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal. - AND - |
| | I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal. |
| 8. | I certify that: The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for de minimis lobbyist involvement. - AND - |
| | The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (see question 9). |

| 9. | USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B) I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies: |
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| | (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip. OR - |
| | (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip (see questions 6 and 10). −OR − |
| | (C). The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip. |
| 10. | USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B) If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel: |
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| 11. | An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I certify that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hourby-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip. |
| 12. | Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip: |
| | The Aspen Institute's Socrates Program is the sole sponsor of this seminar and is solely responsible |
| | for the development and execution of this convening. (see continued response) |
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| 13. | Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission: |
| | The Aspen Institute is an educational and policy studies non-partisan non-profit organization whose |
| | mission is to foster leadership based on enduring values and provide a non-partisan forum for the |
| | exchange of ideas. (see continued response) |
| 1.4. | Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips: |
| | The Aspen Institute has a nearly forty year history of conducting non-partisan educational forums, which |
| | often include Members of Congress and Congressional staff. The Socrates Program has been conducting |
| | seminars Senate Socrates for eight years. |
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| The Aspen Institute I | nolds numerous education | onal activities, includir | ng educational brie | efings, roundtables, |
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| forums, and conferen | nces for a diverse range | of attendees including | g federal and state | e policymakers, |
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| 1. | Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel: | | | | |
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| | Rooms are \$117/day, which reflects the per diem limit. Meals are \$69.00/day, which reflects the per diem limit. | | | | |
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| 2. | Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary: Transportation is not provided; mileage will be reimbursed for participants' travel by personal car | | | | |
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| 3. | I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35). | | | | |
| 4. | List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event: | | | | |
| | None | | | | |
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| 5. | I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (You must include the completed signature block below for each travel sponsor.): Signature of Travel Sponsor: | | | | |
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| | Name of Organization: | | | | |
| | Address: 1 Dupont Circle NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036 | | | | |
| | Telephone Number: 202-736-5859 | | | | |
| | Fax Number: | | | | |
| | E-mail Address: lisa.jones@aspeninstitute.org | | | | |

Appendix to Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, Aspen Institute Socrates Program for Senate Socrates, October 27-29, 2017

Question 12. Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip (response continued) — The Aspen Institute received general funding from the Rodel Foundations to support the Socrates Program. The funding was not earmarked for this trip. The Rodel Foundations did not play a role in organizing or planning the conference, including, but not limited to the content, agenda, moderators, attendees or other logistics.

Questions 13. Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to the mission (response continued) – The Socrates Program seeks to provide a forum for emerging leaders from various professions to convene and explore contemporary issues through expert-moderated dialogue. The purpose of the trip is to conduct a non-partisan educational seminar on political civility and the role of Congress that encourages off-the-record, candid exchanges of ideas to support staffers' learning and development.

Question 15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips) (response continued) – The Socrates Program convenes 18 expertly moderate seminars every year bringing together a diverse group of professionals to explore issues, discuss current topics and encourage dialogue and exchanges of ideas.



#5. Name and titles of Senate invitees:

Christian Brose

Staff Director

Committee on Armed Services

Mike Casey

Minority Staff Director

Select Committee on Intelligence

Jeyben Castro

Outreach Director

Republican Task Force on Hispanic Affairs

Jennifer Decasper

Chief of Staff 1

Office of Senator Tim Scott

Elizabeth Falcone

Legislative Director

Office of Senator Mark Warner

Laura Erickson Hatalsky

Legislative Director

Office of Senator Catherine Cortez Masto

Thomas Mancinelli

Foreign Policy Advisor

Office of Senator Chris Coons

Olivia Perez-Cubas

Press Secretary

Office of Senator Marco Rubio

Monica Popp

Chief of Staff

Office of Senate Republican Whip John Cornyn

Nicole Porreca -

Senior Foreign Policy Advisor

Office of Senator Tim Kaine

Hallie Soifer

Legislative Assistant

Office of Senator Kamala Harris

Dana Stroul

Professional Staff Member

Committee on Foreign Relations

Bill Sweeney

Staff Director

Democratic Policy and Communications

Committee

Natalia Riggin

Legislative Assistant

Office of Senator Mike Enzi

Erica Suares

Policy Advisor

Office of Majority Leader, Senator Mitch

McConnell

Matthew Williams

Legislative Assistant

Office of Senator Bill Nelson

Brandon Yoder

Senior Professional Staff Member

Committee on Foreign Relations



2017 Senate Socrates

Political Civility and the Role of Congress Moderators: Dan Glickman and Bill Hoagland

Seminar Weekend Schedule

October 27-29, 2017
Aspen Institute Wye River Campus
600 Aspen Drive
Queenstown, Maryland

Seminar Location: River House (RH)

Friday, October 27

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Senate Socrates Check In & Registration

River House

8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Senate Socrates Opening Dinner

"Political Civility and Working in Washington"

A conversation with Dan Glickman, Aspen Institute -

Congressional Program Executive Director, and Bill Hoagland,

Bipartisan Policy Center Senior Vice President

Moderated by Elliot Gerson, Aspen Institute Executive Vice

President

River House Dining Room

Saturday, October 28

7:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

River House Dining Room

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Seminar Session I: Foundations in Discourse, Teamwork and Civility

Seminar discussion based on the following texts:

- "Classical Rhetoric, Contemporary Science and Modern Civil Discourse," Research Brief No. 4, National Institute for Civil Discourse
- Dave Winsborough and Tomas Chamorro-Premuzic, "Great Teams are About Personalities, Not Just Skills," Harvard Business Review, January 25, 2017

Alex Pentland, "The New Science of Building Great Teams," Harvard Business Review, April 2012

- Hua Hsu, "The Civility Wars," The New Yorker, 2014
 P.M. Forni, "What is Civility?" Choosing Civility, 2003, pp. 7-12
- Tod Lindberg, "The Politics of Incivility," Commentary Magazine,
 September 1, 2012

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Morning Break River House Break Room

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

River House Dining Room

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Seminar Session II: A Brief History of American "Civil" Discourse Seminar discussion based on the following texts:

- Derek A. Webb, "The Original Meaning of Civility:
 Democratic Deliberation at the Philadelphia Constitutional Convention," Introduction & Conclusion, South Carolina Law Review, Vol. 64, 2012, pp. 184-191 & 218-219
 James Madison, "Federalist No. 10: The Union as a Safeguard Against Domestic Faction and Insurrection," New York Packet, 1787
- Benjamin Franklin, "Final Speech in the Constitutional Convention from the Notes of James Madison," 1787
- Ron Chernow, "The Feuding Fathers," The Wall Street Journal, June 26, 2010
- David M. Abshire, The Grace and Power of Civility: Commitment and Tolerance in the American Experience, Center for the Study of the Presidency, November 2004, pp. 1-5
- "Representative Roger Griswold of Connecticut Attacked Matthew Lyon of Vermont on the House Floor," Historical Highlights, U.S. House of Representatives History, Art & Archives
- "The Caning of Senator Charles Sumner," Senate Stories, U.S.
 Senate Art & History
- Martin Luther King, "Letter from Birmingham Jail," 1963
- Richard Hofstadter, "The Paranoid Style in American Politics," Harper's Magazine, November 1964
 Sarah Heil, "Mark Twain on Congress: Idiots, Criminals, Dumber than Fleas," The Washington Post, April 18, 2012
- Joanna Piacenza, "Report: Is Civility Possible?," Public Religion Research Institute, October 22, 2014

Michael Gerson, "America is Hacking Away at Its Own Democratic Limb," The Washington Post, June 29, 2017

 Jack Leslie, "What Three Nobel Laureates Can Teach Us About Civility in America," The Huffington Post, August 7, 2017

2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Afternoon Break

River House Break Room

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Historical Walking Tour of Wye

The Wye campus is a site imbued with historical moments in American political discourse and policy decisions – from early days as the home of William Paca, a signer of the Declaration of Independence and the third governor of Maryland, to more recent moments as the site for negotiations between Israel and the Palestine Authority resulting in the Wye River Memorandum. This historical tour will connect the history and discussions of the seminar to place and embody the rich history of American discourse and governing in Washington and beyond.

Wye Campus

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Dinner and Evening Program

"The Future of Politics: Well-Informed, Biparitisan Commitment to Build the 'Good Society'"

A conversation with Bill Budinger, founder of Rodel, Inc., and Mickey Edwards, former U.S. Congressman

Moderated by Cordell Carter, Socrates Program Director

River House Dining Room

Sunday, October 29

7:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

River House Dining Room

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Seminar Session III: Political Civility in the Age of Social Media

Seminar discussion based on the following texts:

- Amy Gutmann, "Key Note Address Can We Talk? A Conversation about Civility and Democracy in America," University of Pennsylvania Office of the President, March 26, 2011
- Alan Greenblatt, "The Public Respects Civility, But Rewards Rudeness," NPR, January 26, 2012
- Jonathan Rauch, "Rescuing Compromise," National Affairs, 2013

- Laura Santhanam, "New Poll: 70% of Americans Think Civility has Gotten Worse Since Trump Took Office," PBS NewsHour, July 3, 2017
- Maeve Duggan, "How Platforms Are Poisoning Conversations," The Atlantic, May 11, 2017
- Lee Drutman, "We Need Political Parties. But Their Rabid Partisanship Could Destroy American Democracy.," Vox, September 5, 2017
- Jessica Taylor, "Bipartisan 'Bromance' Blossoms as 2 Texas Congressmen Make D.C. Road Trip," NPR, March 15, 2017
- Jason Grumet, "Commit to a Summer of Civility," Medium, Bipartisan Policy Center, July 3, 2017
- "Commitment to Civility," U.S. House of Representatives, January 2017
- Rep. Charlie Crist and Rep. Mike Johnson, "Promoting Civility and Practicing the Golden Rule Every Day," The Hill, July 12, 2017

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Morning Break

River House Break Room

12:00 p.m.

Check-out, Program concludes after Seminar Session III

*If possible, please check-out prior to Seminar Session III, or during break

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch (boxed lunches available)

River House Dining Room

1:00 p.m.

Departure



Political Civility and the Role of Congress (Moderated by Dan Glickman and Bill Hoagland)

October 27-29, 2017 Wye Conference Center Queenstown, Maryland

Today more than ever, we live in a bifurcated environment, and the nature of our discourse is critical for the country's future. Political civility and discourse has been a subject of interest throughout history from the classics to contemporary society. How has civil discourse shaped American history, and vice versa? Are we truly living in a more divisive and hostile political environment, or have these elements always been a part of our political society? With the rise of social media and digital platforms, what is the impact on political discourse and civility? How has it changed or influenced communication between elected officials? Between country leadership and the people? This seminar explores the role of government, government officials, and institutions in the political discourse of the nation.

Moderators:

Dan Glickman



Dan Glickman is the Executive Director of the Aspen Institute Congressional Program, a nongovernmental, nonpartisan educational program for members of the United States Congress. The program provides lawmakers with a stronger grasp of critical public policy issues by convening high-level conferences and breakfast meetings in which legislators are brought together with internationally-recognized academics, experts and leaders to study the issues and explore various policy alternatives.

He served as the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture from March 1995 until January 2001. Under his leadership, the Department administered farm and conservation programs; modernized food safety regulations; forged international trade agreements to expand U.S. markets; and improved its commitment to fairness and equality in civil rights. Before his appointment as Secretary of Agriculture, Glickman served for 18 years in the U.S. House of Representatives representing the 4th Congressional District of Kansas. During that time, he was a member of the House Agriculture Committee, including six years as chairman of the subcommittee with jurisdiction over federal farm policy issues. Moreover, he was an active member of the House Judiciary Committee; chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence; and was a leading congressional expert on general aviation policy.

Glickman is also a Senior Fellow at the Bipartisan Policy Center in Washington, D.C. The BPC was formed in 2007 by former Senate Majority Leaders Howard Baker, Tom Daschle, Bob Dole

and George Mitchell to develop and promote bipartisan solutions to the country's problems and to promote civility in government.

Glickman served as Chairman of the Motion Picture Association of America, Inc. (MPAA) from 2004 until 2010.

Prior to joining the MPAA, he was the Director of the Institute of Politics at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government (2002-2004).

Before his election to Congress in 1976, Glickman served as president of the Wichita School Board; was a partner in the law firm of Sargent, Klenda and Glickman; and worked as a trial attorney at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. He received his Bachelor of Arts in history from the University of Michigan and his J.D. from The George Washington University. He is a member of the Kansas and District of Columbia Bars.

Glickman is also on the board of directors of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange; Communities in Schools; Food Research and Action Center, a domestic anti-hunger organization; National 4-H Council; and the Center for U.S. Global Engagement, where he is Chair of the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition. He co-chairs an initiative of eight foundations, administered by the Meridian Institute, to look at long-term implications of food and agricultural policy. He chairs an initiative at the Institute of Medicine on accelerating progress on childhood obesity. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and a senior fellow of the Center on Communication Leadership and Policy at the USC Annenberg School for Communication & Journalism, the Council on American Politics at The Graduate School of Political Management at The George Washington University, and is Vice-Chair of the World Food Program-USA. He is the co-chair of the Chicago Council on Global Affairs' global agricultural development initiative. He is the author of "Farm Futures," in Foreign Affairs (May/June 2009).

Bill Hoagland



G. William Hoagland is a BPC senior vice president. In this capacity, he helps direct and manage fiscal, health, and economic policy analyses.

Before joining BPC in September 2012, Hoagland served as vice president of public policy for CIGNA Corporation, working with business leaders, trade associations, business coalitions, and interest groups to develop CIGNA policy on health care reform issues at both the federal and state levels.

Prior to joining CIGNA, Hoagland completed 33 years of federal government service, including 25 years on the U.S. Senate staff. From 2003 to 2007, he served as the director of budget and appropriations in the office of Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist. He assisted in evaluating the fiscal impact of major legislation and helped to coordinate budget policy for the Senate leadership.

From 1982 to 2003, Hoagland served as a staff member and director of the Senate Budget Committee, reporting to U.S. Sen. Pete V. Domenici, chairman and ranking member of the

committee during this period. He participated in major federal budget negotiations, including the 1985 Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Budget Deficit Reduction Act, the 1990 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, and the historic 1997 Balanced Budget Agreement.

In 1981, he served as the administrator of the Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service and as a special assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. He was one of the first employees of the Congressional Budget Office in 1975, working with its first director, Alice Rivlin.

In both 1997 and 2005, National Journal listed him as one of the "Washington 100 Decision Makers" and referred to him as a "bottom-liner who is not a hard-liner." Roll Call consistently named Hoagland as one of the top 50 Hill staffers. In 2002, he received the James L. Blum Award for Distinguished Service in Budgeting. The National Association of State Budget Officers honored him in 2004 with its Leadership in Budgeting Award, and in 2006 he was inducted as a fellow in the National Academy of Public Administration.

Hoagland is an affiliate professor of public policy at the George Mason University and a board member of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, the National Academy of Social Insurance, and the National Advisory Committee to the Workplace Flexibility 2010 Commission. In 2009, he was appointed to the Peterson-Pew Commission on Budget Reform examining the overall structure of the budget, authorization, and appropriations process, and was a member of BPC's Debt Reduction Task Force that published Restoring America's Future in November 2010. He coordinated BPC's 2013 report, A Bipartisan Rx for Patient-Centered Care and System-Wide Cost Containment. In April 2015, he co-chaired the National Academy of Social Insurance report, "Addressing Pricing Power in Health Care Markets."

Hoagland attended the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and holds degrees from Purdue University and The Pennsylvania State University. His family's Indiana family farm was recognized as a "Hoosier Homestead" for having remained in the family for over a century.



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Mr. Bill Sweeney
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Dear Mr. Sweeney:

I would like to invite you to participate in a seminar designed exclusively for the education benefit of a bipartisan, bicameral group of senior congressional staff focusing on Political Civility and the Role of Congress to be held at the Aspen Institute Campus located in Wye River, Maryland, October 27-29, 2017.

We have assembled two outstanding moderators to lead the discussions; The Honorable Dan Glickman, Executive Director of the Aspen Institute Congressional Program, and Bill Hoagland, Senior Vice President of the Bipartisan Policy Center.

This seminar is primarily designed for senior congressional staffers, by invitation only. Nonetheless, in the interest of creating the best possible mix of views and perspectives we do accept a limited number of vetted non-congressional scholars, but no outside observers, press, or lobbyist will participate. We will provide you with a signed Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, and other required documentation, for filing with the House/Senate Ethics Committee. Our purpose is education, not advocacy.

Participants should arrive in Wye by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 27th and the program will end at 2:00 p.m. Sunday October 29th. Should you accept the invitation, it is required that you participate through the duration of the seminar. Your lodging and meals will be paid by the Aspen Institute Socrates Program. Under the ethics rules, no expenses are cover for entertainment or recreation.

Enclosed is a one pager on the Socrates Program. We hope you will be able to participate in the extended educational offering of this series. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Katie Bauman at 202-721-5589. I hope you will be able to join us for this exciting seminar.

Sincerely,

Cordell Carter, II

